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A Distortion Theorem in Several Complex Variables

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We have a distortion theorem using invariants related to the Bergman kernel function in several complex variables

Let $K_D(z, \xi)$ be the Bergman kernel function of a bounded domain D in C^n . Then

$$T_D(z, \xi) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^* \partial z} \log K_D(z, \xi)$$

is uniquely defined by D when $K_D(z, \xi) \neq 0$ ([1])

Moreover we define

$$K_{D,(p,q)}(z, \xi) = K_D(z, \xi)^p (\det T_D(z, \xi))^q,$$

$$T_{D,(p,q)}(z, \xi) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^* \partial z} \log K_{D,(p,q)}(z, \xi) \quad (p, q \geq 0)$$

For $p = 1$ and $q = 0$, $K_{D,(p,q)}(z, \xi)$ and $T_{D,(p,q)}(z, \xi)$ mean ordinary $K_D(z, \xi)$ and $T_D(z, \xi)$ respectively. Then we have the following transformation law for a biholomorphic mapping f from D onto Δ

$$(1) \quad K_{\Delta,(p,q)}(f(z), f(\xi)) \left(\det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right)^{p+q} \overline{\left(\det \frac{\partial f(\xi)}{\partial \xi} \right)^{p+q}} = K_{D,(p,q)}(z, \xi)$$

, where $\det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z}$ means the Jacobian of f with respect to complex variables $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)'$ ([2], [3])

Throughout this paper we use the following notations

$$\begin{aligned} z &= (z_1, \dots, z_n)', \\ f &= f(z) = (f_1(z), \dots, f_n(z))' \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial z_n} \right) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \times f \end{aligned}$$

, where the symbols $'$, $*$ and \times stand for transposition, conjugated transposition and Kronecker product, respectively

We have the following

THEOREM 1 *Let D be a bounded domain in C^n and let f be an injective holomorphic mapping from D into itself. Then we have*

$$K_D(f(z), f(z)) \left| \det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right|^2 \leq K_D(z, z) \quad \text{for } z \in D$$

Proof Let $G = f(D) \subset D$, then

$$(2) \quad K_D(f(z), f(\xi)) \leq K_G(f(z), f(\xi)) \quad z, \xi \in D$$

Since f is a biholomorphic mapping from D onto G , we have

$$(3) \quad K_G(f(z), f(\xi)) \left(\det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right) \overline{\left(\det \frac{\partial f(\xi)}{\partial \xi} \right)} = K_D(z, \xi)$$

by transformation law (1) as $p = 1$ and $q = 0$

Putting $\xi = z$, from (2) and (3), we obtain

$$K_D(f(z), f(z)) \left| \det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right|^2 \leq K_D(z, z) \quad \text{Q E D}$$

THEOREM 2 *Let D be a homogeneous bounded domain in C^n and let f be a holomorphic mapping from D into itself. Then we have*

$$(4) \quad K_{D,(p,q)}(f(z), f(z)) \left| \det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right|^{2(p+q)} \leq K_{D,(p,q)}(z, z) \quad \text{for } p, q \geq 0$$

Moreover if the equality sign in (4) holds for at least one point $z \in D$, then the mapping f is necessarily biholomorphic

Proof Let $w^0 = f(z^0)$ for $z^0 \in D$. Since D is homogeneous, there exists a biholomorphic mapping φ of D onto itself such that $\varphi(w^0) = z^0$. Then the composition $g = \varphi \circ f$ of two mappings f and φ is a mapping which leaves z^0 invariant. By the theorem of Carathéodory-Cartan, we have

$$\left| \left[\det \frac{\partial g(z)}{\partial z} \right]_{z=z^0} \right| \leq 1$$

and if the equality sign holds, then g is biholomorphic mapping from D onto itself ([4]). On the other hand,

$$\left[\det \frac{\partial g(z)}{\partial z} \right]_{z=z^0} = \left[\det \frac{\partial \varphi(w)}{\partial w} \right]_{w=w^0} \left[\det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right]_{z=z^0}$$

Hence we obtain Theorem 2 by the transformation law (1)

Q E D

REMARK When $p=1$ and $q=0$, (4) reduces to

$$K_D(f(z), f(z)) \left| \det \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z} \right|^2 \leq K_D(z, z) \quad ([5])$$

This is a generalization of Schwarz Lemma in terms of the Bergman kernel function

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